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I am writing to support the funding of the Dyslexia Tutoring Center of Hawaii, Inc

My patients who are dyslexic really suffer without support. Many of children and adults who are quite bright. They need support to understand their sensory processing difficulties or they underperform in today's world.

I remember when I first saw ramps for people in wheelchairs while I was in college. I was humbled by these individuals advancements and struggles. My patients with dyslexia touch me in a similar way. I call and fight for them constantly. The insurance companies do not cover any treatment for them. I cannot get any health care provider to see them once they are out of school. The Dyslexia Tutoring Center of Hawaii is pretty much all they have. Please help maintain their services.

Regards,

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